

# Indiana and Michigan News

## CULTURISTS SAVE UNFORTUNATE FISH

Draining of Canal Necessitates Replanting of Fish Valued at \$1,500.

Special to The News-Times:  
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., June 25.—More than 5,000 fish, including 1,000 small-mouth black bass, and 200 large-mouth bass, were rescued last week from the hydraulic canal drained between Brookville and Metamora and replanted in Whitewater river in Franklin county.

Department of conservation officials in charge of the work used seines and as the waters of the canal receded, put the fish in cans and rushed them in automobile trucks to the river where they were liberated. Hundreds of persons stood on the canal banks watching the work and, according to the fish culturists from Riverside park state hatchery who operated the seines, were keenly disappointed when refused permission to carry off some of the big ones. George N. Mannfeld, chief of the fish and game division, says the rescued bass had a commercial value of \$1,500.

## LAW'S DELAY IS SEEN IN LAPORTE DAMAGE HEARING

Six years ago Mrs. Helen Jackson of Laporte, suffered an injury in a building at Michigan av. and Lincoln Way W., in that city. On Dec. 2, 1916 she filed suit for damages for \$5,000 against John J. Guenther, charging the owner with negligence.

Mrs. Jackson suffered serious injury from the fall which resulted from an alleged broken step. A Laporte jury gave her \$2,500. The defendant appealed to the appellate court reversed the decision, ordering a new trial.

The case came to St. Joseph county circuit court, where on March 9, a jury awarded Mrs. Jackson \$5,000, the full amount asked. The defendant is again appealing on technicalities in hope of obtaining a reversal.

## RENO WILL STAGE 'ROARING FORTY' RODEO IN JULY

Twentieth Century Adaptation of Round-up to Take Four Days in July.

RENO, Nev., June 25.—The Rodeo, or round-up, as it will be staged at Reno, Nev., the first four days of July, is the 20th century adaptation of the original carnival-industrial event as it took place in the days of Spanish grants in early California.

California, the home of the stock-raising industry in the West, had its down from the Indians to the cowboy precedents and lore handed down from the days of the pioneers. From the Golden State cattle raising spread across the Sierras into Nevada, Arizona, New Mexico and western Texas. As it spread the customs of the old Spanish rodeo spread with the industry, although more the rodeo, with its fine horse as commercialism crept in more and pitality and gaiety, became the an-

## HAS NO CLAIM ON ROOSEVELT ESTATE

Mrs. Burkett Said to Have Admitted She Forged Name of Reddish.

CLINTON, Ind., June 25.—Mrs. Emma R. Burkett, of Hillsdale, Ind., admitted she had no claim on the Theodore Roosevelt estate while confined in the Jerseyville, Ill., jail in 1913, according to a telephone call here purporting to have been held with J. C. Hamilton, prosecuting attorney at that place. The telephonic communication was held Friday with a newspaperman.

Mrs. Burkett, at the same time, it was said, admitted she wrote a note and forged the name of Stephen M. Reddish of Jerseyville, to it. The face of the note was for \$1,800, and she said it was an old note and that several years interest was due on it.

Mr. Hamilton is said to have declared Mrs. Burkett was released from the Jerseyville jail after three months when the Reddish family failed to urge prosecution and the grand jury did not return an indictment.

## HOOSIER HUNTING HAIR HIT HARD

INDIANAPOLIS, June 25.—A young man with a penchant for collecting locks of women's hair is being held under heavy bond by the police today, pending investigation into his strange hobby.

Horace Jones, 28, of Portland, Ind., is his name. He was arrested after Miss Elizabeth Williams and Miss Inice Ellis, nurse at the Methodist hospital had trailed him more than a mile through the downtown district.

Much fright, it was said, was caused among young women at the nurses' home when Jones accosted them and asked for locks of their hair. At times he was found prowling through the building, they declared.

"I am particularly anxious to get brunette hair," Jones explained, "but I will take blondes if I cannot find others."

Jones, son of a Portland dentist, was here to take dental examinations.

## Drinks Alcoholic Solution; Decatur Lad Seriously Ill

GOSHEN, Ind., June 25.—Albert Piper, 12 years old of Decatur, Ill., who was brought here by his mother, Mrs. Frank Piper, for a visit, is in very serious condition, the result of having swallowed a quantity of poses, which he found in a cupboard alcoholic solution for bathing pur-

at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Luther Mangold. Physicians believe he will recover.

nual round-up. Never could the real basic customs of the rodeo be changed, however, for the lore of hundreds of years governed the caballero as he slowly changed into the buckaroo.

Always the mark of the old Spanish caballero and his rodeo fiesta has been the rodeo grounds, where steers, roasted whole, were cut and distributed to all who cared to partake of the hospitality, the meal washed down with quantities of wine.

Soft-Strumming Guitars. Following the barbecue could be heard the soft tinkle of guitars, as gallant vaqueros serenaded their loves, or quickening music of the

## THREE STATES TO ESTIMATE RESERVE

Geologists Plan to Measure Supply of Gas and Oil Reserve Here.

Special to The News-Times:  
INDIANAPOLIS, June 25.—Following a conference of the state geologists of Illinois, Ohio and Indiana, in the offices of the state department of conservation, plans have been adopted for the three states to co-operate in determining an estimate of the gas and oil reserves of this territory. The problem confronting the state geologists is a part of the larger program of determining the reserve of the entire United States and of determining the possibilities of increasing production in case the Mexican oil fields fail as it is predicted they will in a few years.

Some geologists predict this will be as soon as two years, Dr. W. N. Logan, state geologist, says.

The work of determining the reserves in the three named states is to be undertaken in co-operation with the Association of American Petroleum Geologists and the United States Geological Survey.

The conference was held by Dr. Frank W. De Wolf, state geologist of Illinois; J. A. Brownacker, state geologist of Ohio, and Dr. W. N. Logan, state geologist of Indiana.

## Charge Willard Appropriated Revenue For His Personal Use

Special to The News-Times:  
GOSHEN, Ind., June 25.—Noah Willard, arrested at the Studebaker corporation plant in South Bend and who is now in jail here on an embezzlement charge, is alleged to have kept proceeds from the sale of vacuum cleaners, which he sold for the Service Electric Co. of Goshen, owned by Herman Schmidt. Schmidt claims about \$100 due from Willard, who thieved over Northern Indiana territory and who, before he was arrested, was traced in several cities among them Laporte and Michigan City.

## Three Men Held Pending Investigation of Theft

SULLIVAN, Ind., June 25.—Three men are held here today pending investigation into the theft and subsequent recovery of \$8,500 in bonds stolen from a mail pouch here. The bonds were found on the person of Frank Anderson, one of the trio held. Five men were arrested following the disappearance of a pouch of first class mail, dropped "the run" by an early morning C. & E. I. train. Two were released later. In addition to Anderson, whose home is in Cincinnati, the authorities are holding Fred Hudson, of Washington, Ind., and Forest Livingston of Leavenworth, Kas.

walts called man and maid to the dance floor, where, under the eyes of watchful chaperones, the ever new game of love was played.

Following the dance the men, picturesque in jackets and calzoners of leather or velvet, heavily trimmed with cords and buttons of silver, high-heeled boots, silken shirts and costly sombreros, would generally wind up the festivities with heavy drinking of brandy to instill life for the dawn and its resumption of work.

Day after day the program would be repeated, with slight variation, until men, women and beasts were exhausted. A few days' rest, then off to other rodeos would go the younger caballeros, where at some distant hacienda flashing eyes of fair maidens would applaud their work in the day and half hidden by the inevitable fan, daringly flirt at night.

Young blood ever runs hot with desire of emulation, and the modern cowgirls and buckaroos equal and oft surpass the daring riding of their forebears in the old stirring times now riding not only for the glance of dark eyes, but risking life and limb for applause of strange audiences and discomfiture of rivals.

Costume of the Vaquero. How closely the lore of the old-time rodeo holds sway is seen in the costume of the present day cowboy. The shape of the sombrero is the

same as when the Spanish Vaquero rode over the green hills of California to the hacienda of the rodeo. Practically all his equipment holds the characteristics which distinguished the outfit of the caballero in the golden days of the range. In this equipment a rigid fashion holds sway now as it did a hundred years ago, when the only way the luckier cowboy could advertise his prosperity was in the amount of gold and silver with which he could decorate his saddle, his bridle and his spurs.

Many old timers insist that high as is the skill of the modern cowboy, the buckaroo of bygone days in California and Nevada possessed a degree of skill far surpassing the expertness of the present day rider. Early chronicles tell of wonderful feats, yet anyone who has witnessed a wild horse race at the Nevada

round-up would question whether any of the men whose histories tell of riding feats could surpass the riding seen in this event.

Like desert at a banquet, the wild horse race is reserved for the finale of the round-up. In previous years it has brought the most phlegmatic to his feet, as the riders combined the thrill of a bucking contest with the task of forcing the excited, maddened animals to show their speed in a dash around a quarter-mile track.

Wild horses, never before ridden, horses that have spent their lives on the open range, are led by the rider's assistant to the track. When there they are blindfolded, while a battle royal is staged in placing saddle and accoutrements on the animals. Then the horses have the blinds removed, the starter fires his gun, and the

riders somehow, some way, get on the horses, and they are off.

Evolution of the Dedeo. The cattle kings of the early eighties were worthy successors to the feudal dons of the earlier period. What the Spaniard began the American continued. In the round-up men were gathered from every part of the district and old-timers from far away districts, and where daring deeds and splendid riding are the product of the day's work it was natural that rivalry should occur and contests be staged.

Each district had its champions, and as the fame of a champion spread district and then state contests began to follow the annual round-up. These round-ups were the big holiday event for the cowboy and his friends. They gathered from the Panhandle of Texas to the

Canadian Northwest, and exhibitions of shooting, riding and roping were given that were marvelous to those fortunate enough to witness the events.

It was only natural that in time civic organizations of cities would see the advertising value of the riding, roping and shooting ability of the buckaroo citizens of the state, and the possibilities of bringing tourists to the west through rodeos held in accessible parts of its domain.

Out of this idea has grown the Nevada round-up at Reno, Nev.; the rodeo of Salinas, Calif.; and the wild west celebrations of Cheyenne, Wyo.; Pendleton, Ore., and Prescott, Ariz.

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"BLOW-UP"

Special to The News-Times:  
GOSHEN, Ind., June 25.—Due to expansion caused by intense heat today, a large section of brick pavement on the middle-city highway "blew up," causing considerable damage. The mercury stood at 100 degrees at the time of the explosion.

CAUSED ARREST.  
INDIANAPOLIS, June 25.—"Tu raise you a buzz" came a feminine voice over the transform. It was too enticing for the policeman on the beat. He broke down the door and arrested five women poker enthusiasts.

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